been denied pensionary and other benefits fixed for those who died on actual duty;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps are being taken to honour those brave naval officers?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) No, Sir. Families of the twelve personnel killed in mid-air collision accident of two naval planes in Goa have been sanctioned payment of *Ex-Gratia,* special family pension and death gratuity after adjusting for Government dues wherever necessary and as per court directions.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) There are established procedures for honouring brave personnel of Armed Forces. No separate action is being taken in the case of the twelve deceased personnel.

Extension of boundary of Ammunition Depots at Hatiali, Dibrugarh, Assam

2170. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal for extension of boundary of Ammunition Depots at Hatiali of Chabua Revenue Circle of Dibrugarh District, Assam is being finalised by Defence authorities;

(b) if so, total area to be extended and detailed status of the land proposed for extension indicating the date of Gazette Notification made for the purpose; and

(c) village-wise total number of families inhabited in the said notified area including institutions and commercial establishements?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) In view of the reply at (a) above the question do not arise.